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LANE CLOSURES SCHEDULED FOR SAN DIEGO FREEWAY (WEEKLY UPDATE)

INGLEWOOD –The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) will close various lanes on the northbound and southbound San Diego Freeway (I-405) from Jefferson Boulevard to Imperial Highway, for High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) lane and soundwall construction each day beginning Wednesday, September 15 through Saturday, September 18, weather permitting. Both day and night work will take place. At least one regular use lane on the freeway and one collector lane, in each direction, will be open to traffic at all times.

The following northbound I-405 connectors and lanes will be closed nightly from 6 p.m. until 6 a.m.: up to two lanes from El Segundo Boulevard to the eastbound I-105 connector; up to two lanes from the eastbound I-105 connector to Manchester Boulevard; up to four lanes from Manchester Boulevard to Braddock Avenue; and the northbound I-405 connector to the westbound Marina Freeway (SR-90).

The following northbound I-405 ramps will be closed nightly from 6 p.m. until 6 a.m.: La Tijera Boulevard on-ramp and off-ramp; Howard Hughes Boulevard on-ramp; Howard Hughes Boulevard off-ramp; eastbound and westbound Manchester Boulevard on-ramp; Jefferson Boulevard off-ramp; Jefferson Boulevard on-ramp; and the Slauson Avenue/Sepulveda Boulevard off-ramp. The La Tijera Boulevard off-ramp will be closed daily from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m.

The following southbound I-405 connectors and lanes will be closed nightly from 6 p.m. until 6 a.m.: up to four southbound regular use lanes will be closed intermittently from Jefferson Boulevard to Imperial Highway; one collector lane from Century Boulevard to Imperial Highway; and up to two lanes from the I-405 connector to eastbound and westbound SR-90.

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The following southbound I-405 ramps will be closed nightly from 6 p.m. until 6 a.m.: La Cienega Boulevard on-ramp; Manchester Boulevard/La Cienega Boulevard off-ramp; La Tijera Boulevard off-ramp and on-ramp; Sepulveda Boulevard/Centinela Boulevard off-ramp; Sepulveda Boulevard/Centinela Boulevard on-ramp; and the Jefferson Boulevard on-ramp and off-ramp. Daily closures from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. at La Tijera Boulevard on-ramp and Sepulveda Boulevard/Centinela Boulevard on-ramp.

The \$34.7 million I-405 HOV lane project started construction in spring, 2003. The project will add 5.1 miles of HOV lanes in both the northbound and southbound directions along I-405 between Route 105 and Route 90. Soundwalls will be built at various locations. The timeframe for completion is winter, 2006.

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